

Department of Housing and Urban Development Summary of Energy Provisions in 2006 Super NOFA

General Requirements

Review and Selection Process - Policy Priorities

Participation in Energy Star

HUD has adopted a wide-ranging energy action plan for improving energy efficiency in all program areas. As a first step in implementing the energy plan, HUD, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the Department of Energy (DOE) have signed a partnership to promote energy efficiency in HUD's affordable housing programs, including public housing, HUD-insured housing, and housing financed through HUD formula and competitive programs. The purpose of the Energy Star partnership is to promote energy-efficient affordable housing stock while protecting the environment. Applicants constructing, rehabilitating, or maintaining housing or community facilities are encouraged to promote energy efficiency in design and operations. They are urged especially to purchase and use products that display the Energy Star label. Applicants providing housing assistance or counseling services are encouraged to promote Energy Star materials and practices, as well as buildings constructed to Energy Star standards, to both homebuyers and renters.

Applicants are encouraged to undertake program activities that include developing Energy Star promotional and information materials, providing outreach to low- and moderate-income renters and buyers on the benefits and savings when using Energy Star products and appliances, utilizing Energy Star-designated products in the construction or rehabilitation of housing units, and replacing worn products or facilities, such as light bulbs, water heaters, furnaces, etc., with Energy Star products to reduce operating costs. Communities and developers are encouraged to promote the designation of community buildings and homes as Energy Star compliant.

For further information about Energy Star, see [http:// www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov) or call (888) 782- 7937, or (888) 588-9920 (TTY).

Activities support strategic goals 1 and 2.

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Section 202

Design and Cost Standards

You must comply with HUD's Section 202 design and cost standards (24 CFR 891.120 and 891.210), the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (24 CFR 40.7), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and HUD's implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, and for covered multifamily dwellings designed and constructed for first occupancy after March 13, 1991, the design and construction requirements of the Fair Housing Act and HUD's implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100, and, where applicable, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

HUD has adopted a wide-ranging energy action plan for improving energy efficiency in all program areas. As a first step in implementing the energy plan, HUD, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Department of Energy (DoE) have signed a joint partnership to promote energy efficiency in HUD's affordable housing efforts and programs. The purpose of the Energy Star partnership is not only to promote energy efficiency of the affordable housing stock, but also to help protect the environment.

Energy Efficiency. Although it is not a requirement, you are encouraged to promote energy efficiency in design and operation of your proposed project and your application will receive one (1) point if you describe your plans for doing so in the proposed project. You are urged especially to purchase and use Energy Star-labeled products. For further information about Energy Star, see <http://www.energystar.gov> or call 1-888-STAR-YES (1-888-782-7937) or for the hearing-impaired, 1-888-588-9920 TTY.

Documentation.

Exhibit 4: Project information including:

- (ii) Whether and how project will promote energy efficiency;

Exhibit 4: Need and Project Information.

- (c) Description of the project.

(ii) Describe whether and how the project will promote energy efficiency (in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section III.C.3.j. and III.C.4. of this NOFA), including any plans to incorporate energy efficiency features in the operation of the project through the use of Energy Star labeled products and appliances and, if applicable, innovative construction or rehabilitation methods or technologies to be used that will promote efficient construction.

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Criteria - Policy Priorities

HUD encourages applicants to undertake specific activities that will assist the Department in implementing its policy priorities and which help the Department achieve its strategic goals for FY 2006. Refer to the General Section for information regarding HUD's Strategic Goals and Policy Priorities.

For the Section 202 program, applicants who include work activities that specifically address the policy priorities of encouraging accessible design features by incorporating visitability standards and universal design, removing barriers to affordable housing, **promoting energy efficiency** in design and operations, and expanding training and employment opportunities for low- and very low income persons and business concerns (Section 3 requirements), will receive additional points. A Notice pertaining to the removal of barriers to affordable housing was published in the Federal Register and may be downloaded from the HUD Web site at <http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/fundsavail.cfm>.

Rating Factor 3: Soundness of Approach (47 Points)

This factor addresses the quality and effectiveness of your proposal and the extent to which you involved elderly persons, including elderly minority persons, in the development of the application and will involve them in the development and operation of the project, whether the jurisdiction in which your project will be located has undertaken successful efforts to remove regulatory barriers to affordable housing, whether you will **promote energy efficiency in the design and operation of the proposed housing**, and your plans to expand economic opportunities for low- and very low income persons as well as business concerns (Section 3 requirements).

There must be a clear relationship between your proposed design, proposed activities, the community's needs and purposes of the program funding for your application to receive points for this factor. Submit information responding to this factor in accordance with Application Submission Requirements in Exhibits 3(f), 3(j), 3(k), 4(c)(i), 4(c)(ii), 4(d)(iii), 4(d)(v), 4(d)(vi), 5, and 8(j) of Section IV.B. of this NOFA.

In evaluating this factor, HUD will consider the following:

k. **(1 point)**. The extent to which you will promote energy efficiency in the design and operation of the proposed housing. Refer to Section III.C.3.j. of this NOFA.

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Section 811

Design and Cost Standards

You must comply with HUD's Section 811 project design and cost standards (24 CFR 891.120 and 891.310), the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (24 CFR 40.7), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and HUD's implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, and for covered multifamily dwellings designed and constructed for first occupancy after March 13, 1991, the design and construction requirements of the Fair Housing Act and HUD's implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100, and, where applicable, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

HUD has adopted a wide-ranging energy action plan for improving energy efficiency in all program areas. As a first step in implementing the energy plan, HUD, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Department of Energy (DoE) have signed a joint partnership to promote energy efficiency in HUD's affordable housing efforts and programs. The purpose of the Energy Star partnership is not only to promote energy efficiency of the affordable housing stock, but also to help protect the environment. Although it is not a requirement, you are nonetheless encouraged to promote energy efficiency in design and operations and your application will receive one (1) point if you describe your plans for doing so in the proposed project. You are especially urged to purchase and use Energy Star-labeled products. For further information about Energy Star, see <http://www.energystar.gov> or call 888-STAR-YES (1-888-782-7937) or for the hearing-impaired, 888-588-9920 TTY.

Documentation

Exhibit 4: Project information including:

(ii) Whether and how project will promote energy efficiency

(ii) Describe whether and how the project will promote energy efficiency (in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section III.C.3.k. of this NOFA), including any plans to incorporate energy efficiency features in the operation of the project through the use of Energy Star labeled products and appliances and, if applicable, innovative construction or rehabilitation methods or technologies to be used that will promote efficient construction.

Criteria - Policy Priorities

HUD encourages applicants to undertake specific activities that will assist the Department in implementing its policy priorities and which help the Department achieve its strategic goals for FY2006. Refer to the General Section for information regarding HUD's Strategic Goals and Policy Priorities. For the Section 811 program, applicants who include work activities that specifically address the policy priorities of encouraging accessible design features by incorporating visitability standards and universal design, ending chronic homelessness, removing barriers to affordable housing, **promoting energy efficiency in design and operations**, and expanding training and employment opportunities for low and very low income persons and business concerns (Section 3 requirements) will receive additional points. A Notice pertaining to the removal of

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barriers to affordable housing was published in the Federal Register and may be downloaded from the HUD website at <http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/fundsavail.cfm>.

3. Rating Factor 3: Soundness of Approach (42 Points).

This factor addresses the quality and effectiveness of your proposal, the extent to which you involved persons with disabilities, including minority persons with disabilities, in the development of the application and will involve them in the development and operation of the project, the extent to which you coordinated your application with other organizations, including local independent living centers, with which you share common goals and objectives and are working toward meeting these objectives in a holistic and comprehensive manner, whether you consulted with Continuum of Care organizations to address efforts to assist persons with disabilities who are chronically homeless as defined in the General Section, whether the jurisdiction in which your project will be located has undertaken successful efforts to remove regulatory barriers to affordable housing, **whether you will promote energy efficiency in the design and operation of the proposed housing**, and your plans to expand economic opportunities for low and very low income persons as well as business concerns (Section 3). There must be a clear relationship between the proposed design, the proposed activities, the community's needs and purposes of the program funding for your application to receive points for this factor. Submit information responding to this factor in accordance with Application Submission Requirements in Exhibits 2(d), 3(f), 3(j), 3(k), 3(l), 3(m), 4(c)(i), 4(c)(ii), 4(d)(iii), 4(d)(v), 4(d)(vi), 4(e)(i), 5, and 8(l) of Section IV.B. of this NOFA. In evaluating this factor, HUD will consider the following:

k. (1 point) The extent to which you will promote energy efficiency in the design and operation of the proposed housing. (NOTE: Optional, but to receive the 1 point, the applicant must have adequately addressed their plans to promote energy efficiency in the design and operation of the proposed project.) Refer to Section III.C.3.k. of this NOFA.

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Assisted Living Conversion

Content and Form of Application

6. A description of the physical construction aspects of the ALF conversion, including the following:

c. A description on how the project will promote energy efficiency, including any plans to incorporate energy efficiency features in the design and operation of the ALF through the use of Energy Star labeled products and appliances. Applicants that meet this policy priority will receive **two points** under Rating Factor 3 in Section V.A. of this NOFA. Refer to the General Section for further information on this requirement or for further information about Energy Star see <http://www.energystar.gov>.

Rating Factor 3: Soundness of Approach (40 Points)

This factor addresses the quality and effectiveness of your proposal in addressing the proposed conversion, effectiveness of service coordination and management planning and the meals and supportive services which the ALF intends to provide, whether the jurisdiction in which the ALF is located has taken successful efforts to remove regulatory barriers to affordable housing, **whether you will incorporate energy efficiency in the design and operation of the assisted living facility**, provide training, employment, and economic opportunities to low- and very low-income persons, and the extent to which you have evidenced general support for conversion by participating in your community's Consolidated Planning Process, involving the residents in the planning process. There must also be a relationship between the proposed activities, the project's and the community's needs and purposes of the program funding for your application to receive points for this factor. Submit information responding to this factor in accordance with Application Submission Requirements in Sections IV.B.3.a. through c. and e., IV. B.5.e., IV.B.6.b. through e., IV. B9.a. through e., g., and h. of this NOFA. In evaluating this factor, HUD will consider the following:

f. **(2 points)**. Describe how you plan to incorporate energy efficiency activities in the design or the operation of the assisted living facility through the use of Energy Star labeled products and appliances.

Reviews and Selection Process

1. The ALCP will fund those applications that may impact federal problem solving and policymaking and that are relevant to HUD's policy priorities and annual goals and objectives. (Refer to the General Section for discussion of these priorities and annual goals and objectives). For the Assisted Living Conversion Program, applicants who include work activities that specifically address the policy priorities of removing barriers to affordable housing and **promoting energy efficiency in the design and operation of the ALF will receive additional points**. For information pertaining to the removal of barriers to affordable housing see www.hud.gov/grants/index.cfm and for information about Energy Star see www.energystar.gov.

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HOPWA

Criteria - Policy Priorities

For one rating point under project soundness of approach, you are encouraged to propose applications in which the grantee, or project sponsor(s), commits to follow the Energy Star standard in any new construction, or rehabilitation activity, or maintaining housing or community facilities to be undertaken in the proposed project with HOPWA or other funds. You are encouraged to undertake program activities that include developing energy star promotional and information materials, providing outreach to low and moderate-income renters and buyers on the benefits and savings when using Energy Star products. The Energy Star standard is as defined in the General Section.

(3) Public Policy Priorities (7 points).

Applications for HOPWA funding will receive rating point(s) for each applicable Department policy priority initiative addressed through the proposed program activities and performance goals and objectives.

Applicants must make a specific statement on their commitment to address the priority or otherwise demonstrate how these priorities will be addressed:

(c) For one rating point under project soundness of approach, the grantee, or project sponsor(s), commits to promote energy efficiency by adopting or following the Energy Star standard in any new construction or rehabilitation activity or in maintaining housing or community facilities to be undertaken in the proposed project with HOPWA or other funds. The Energy Star standard is as defined in the General Section.

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Continuum of Care

Participation in Energy Star

In keeping with the Administration's policy priority of promoting energy efficient housing while protecting the environment, applicants applying for new construction or rehabilitation funding, who maintain housing or community facilities or provide services in those facilities, are encouraged to promote energy efficiency and are specifically encouraged to purchase and use Energy Star-labeled products. All applicants must complete the questions on the Energy Star Chart (Chart CoC– AA) in Exhibit 1. Refer to the General Section for detailed information about this requirement.

AA: CoC Participation in Energy Star Chart

HUD promotes energy-efficient housing. All McKinney-Vento funded projects are encouraged to promote energy efficiency, and are specifically encouraged to purchase and use Energy Star labeled products. For information on the Energy Star initiative go to: http://www.energystar.gov .

Have you notified CoC members of the Energy Star initiative? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Percentage of CoC projects on CoC Priority Chart using Energy Star appliances: ____%

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Brownfields

Policy Priorities (Up to 3 points).

The applicant's response to this subfactor (2) should address how the project will address any of the following policy priorities of the Department, as further detailed in Section V.B. of the General Section. A maximum of three points shall be awarded to applicants that demonstrate how the proposed BEDI project addresses two or more of the following policy priorities, with the number of points afforded to each policy priority indicated below:

(f) The extent to which the project will utilize energy-efficient solutions in the design or operating phases, including the purchase and use of Energy Star-labeled products and/or combined heat and power (CHP, or cogeneration) in buildings, where applicable.) (See Section V.B of the General Section, Promoting Energy Efficiency and Adopting Energy Star, for more information (1 point).

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Rural Housing and Economic Development

Definition

Innovative Housing Activities means projects, techniques, methods, combinations of assistance, construction materials, **energy efficiency improvements**, or financing institutions or sources new to the eligible area or to its population. The innovative activities can also build upon and enhance a model that already exists.

Eligible Activities

The following are examples of eligible activities under the Rural Housing and Economic Development program. Permissible activities may include, but are not limited to the following:

- a. Cost of using new or innovative construction, **energy efficiency**, or other techniques that will result in the design or construction of innovative housing and economic development projects;

Policy Priorities (8 Points)

Policy priorities are outlined in detail in the General Section. You should document the extent to which HUD's policy priorities are furthered by the proposed activities.

Applicants that include activities that can result in the achievement of these departmental policy priorities will receive higher rating points in evaluating their application for funding. Seven departmental policy priorities are listed below. When policy priorities are included, describe in brief detail how those activities will be carried out. The point values for policy priorities are as follows:

Rating Factor 3—Soundness of Approach (21 Points)

(7) Promoting Energy Efficiency and Adopting Energy Star = 1 point.

Rating Factor 5—Achieving Results and Program Evaluation (24 Points)

Outcomes Measures are benefits accruing to the program participants and/or communities during or after participation in the RHED program. RHED outcomes include: Number of housing units rehabilitated that will be made available to low-to-moderate income participants; percentage change in earnings as a result of employment for those participants; percent of participants trained who find a job; **annual estimated savings for low income families as a result of energy efficiency improvements**; and increase in organizational resources as a result of assistance (e.g., dollars leveraged).

Although the following list is not all inclusive, program outcomes for the Rural Housing and Economic Development program must include where applicable:

- k. Annual estimated savings for low-income families as a result of energy efficiency improvements.

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PHA Neighborhood Networks

Rating Factor 3: Soundness of Approach (25 Points)

(2) Addressing HUD's Policy Priorities (5 points). HUD wants to improve the quality of life for those living in distressed communities. HUD's grant programs are a vehicle for long-term, positive change that can be achieved at the community level. Applicants' narrative and business plan will be evaluated based on how well they meet the following HUD policy priorities:

(d) Energy Star. (1 point) HUD has adopted a wide-ranging energy action plan for improving energy efficiency in all program areas. As a first step toward implementing the energy plan, HUD, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Department of Energy (DoE) have signed a joint partnership to promote energy efficiency in HUD's affordable housing efforts and programs.

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Energy Star

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SHOP

Rating Factor 3: Soundness of Approach (45 Points)

This factor examines the quality and soundness of your plan to carry out a self-help housing program. In evaluating this factor HUD will consider the areas described below:

b. How your planned activities further the five HUD policy priorities that apply specifically to SHOP in FY 2006 as described in the General Section. The policy priorities for SHOP are:

(4) Participation in Energy Star;

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Housing Counseling

Departmental Policy Priorities (6 points).

The Departmental policy priorities are described in detail in the General Section. Of those listed, the following five apply to the Housing Counseling Program for the purpose of this NOFA.

Indicate if and describe how the applicant's work plan substantively addresses each of these departmental policy priorities. Applicants are advised to review the policy priorities in the General Section, to assure they fully understand the meaning of each, prior to responding to this sub-factor.

In scoring this section, the applicant will receive **one point for each of the departmental policy priorities (a)–(d)** that the projected work plan in Factor 3 substantively addresses.

(d) Participation in Energy Star.

Applicants must provide information on how they promote or plan to promote Energy Star materials and practices and buildings constructed to Energy Star standards to homebuyers, renters and other applicable counseling clients. Describe any outreach activities previously conducted and/or planned to promote Energy Star products.

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Lead-based Paint

Eligibility Information

Undertaking minimal housing rehabilitation activities that are specifically required to carry out effective hazard control, and without which the hazard control could not be completed and maintained. These grant funds may be used for lead hazard control work done in conjunction with other housing rehabilitation programs, **to the extent practicable. HUD encourages integration of this grant program with housing rehabilitation, maintenance, weatherization, and other energy conservation activities.**

Policy Priorities

d. HUD's Departmental Policy Priorities and Consolidated Plan (6 Points for all applicants; each policy priority is 1 point, except Removal of Regulatory Barriers (#4) is 2 rating points—HUD Form 27300 is required to receive point (s)). Indicate if, and describe how, you will address any of HUD's departmental policy priorities (see General Section for more detailed explanation of HUD's policy priorities).

Applicants shall also provide evidence of the priority that the community's Consolidated Plan and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice has placed on addressing the needs described. The policy priorities that are applicable to this NOFA, and which the applicant should address, are:

(5) Promoting Energy Efficiency and Energy Star. HUD expects the applicants to implement Energy Star building techniques and utilize Energy Star appliances whenever activities of the grant afford the opportunity. (For information on Energy Star Programs and Appliances, see [http:// www.epa.gov/epahome/athome.htm](http://www.epa.gov/epahome/athome.htm)).

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University Partnerships – Historically Black Colleges

Eligibility Information

(6) Assistance to community-based development organizations (CBDO) to carry out a CDBG neighborhood revitalization, community economic development, or **energy conservation projects**, in accordance with 24 CFR 570.204. This could include activities in support of a HUD-approved local entitlement grantee, CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy (NRS) or HUD-approved State CDBG Community Revitalization Strategy (CRS);

(7) Public service activities such as those general support activities that can help to stabilize a neighborhood and contribute to sustainable redevelopment of the area, including but not limited to such activities as those concerned with employment, crime prevention, child care, health care services, drug abuse, education, fair housing counseling, **energy conservation**, homebuyer down payment assistance, establishment and maintenance of Neighborhood Network centers in federally assisted or insured housing, job training and placement, and recreational needs;

University Partnerships – Hispanic Serving Institutions

Eligibility Information

(8) Assistance to community-based development organizations (CBDO) to carry out a CDBG neighborhood revitalization, community economic development, or **energy conservation project**, in accordance with 24 CFR 570.204. This could include activities in support of a HUD-approved local entitlement grantee, CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy (NRS) or HUD-approved State CDBG Community Revitalization Strategy (CRS);

(9) Public service activities such as general support activities that can help to stabilize a neighborhood and contribute to sustainable redevelopment of the area, including but not limited to such activities as those concerned with employment, crime prevention, child care, health care services, drug abuse, education, housing counseling, **energy conservation**, homebuyer down payment assistance, establish and maintain Neighborhood Network centers in federally assisted or insured housing, job training and placement and recreational needs;

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University Partnerships – Alaska Natives/Hawaiian Institutions

Eligibility Information

g. Assistance to community-based development organizations (CBDO) to carry out neighborhood revitalization, community economic development, or **energy conservation projects**, in accordance with 24 CFR 570.204. This could include activities in support of a HUD-approved local entitlement grantee, CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy (NRS) or HUD approved State CDBG Community Revitalization Strategy (CRS);

h. Public service activities such as general support activities that can help to stabilize a neighborhood and contribute to sustainable redevelopment of the area, including but not limited to such activities as those concerned with employment, crime prevention, child care, health care services, drug abuse, education, housing counseling, **energy conservation**, homebuyer down payment assistance, establish and maintain Neighborhood Network centers in federally assisted or insured housing, job training and placement and recreational needs;

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ICDBG

Definitions

Standard Housing/Standard Condition.

Housing that meets the housing quality standards (HQS) adopted by the applicant. The HQS adopted by the applicant must be at least as stringent as the Section 8 HQS contained in 24 CFR 982.401 (Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance: Housing Choice Voucher program) unless ONAP approve less stringent standards based on a determination that local conditions make the use of Section 8 HQS unfeasible. You may submit, before the application submission deadline, a request for the approval of standards less stringent than Section 8 HQS. If you submit the request with your application, you should not assume automatic approval by the ONAPs. The adopted standards must provide for (a) a safe house, in physically sound condition with all systems performing their intended design functions; (b) a livable home environment and an energy efficient building and systems that incorporate energy conservation measures; and (c) an adequate space and privacy for all intended household members.

Eligibility Information

6. Restrictions on Eligible Activities

c. Assistance to Community Based Development Organizations (CBDOs).

Grantees may provide assistance to these organizations to undertake activities related to neighborhood revitalization, community economic development, or energy conservation.

g. Energy Efficiency. Associated activities can be proposed under Housing Rehabilitation or Public Facilities and Improvements depending upon the type of energy efficiency activity.

Rating Factor 3: Soundness of Approach (30 Points)

This factor addresses the quality and anticipated effectiveness of your proposed project's outcomes in enhancing community viability and in meeting the needs you have identified in Rating Factor 2 and the commitment to sustain your proposed project. The populations that were described in demographics that documented need should be the same populations that will receive the primary benefit of the proposed project.

3. (1 point). HUD Policy Priorities.

Your application addresses the goals for "Improving Our Nation's Communities", or "Energy Star", two of HUD's 2006 Policy Priorities, as described in Section V. B. of the General Section. You must describe which one of these two Policy Priorities you select and describe how your activity will meet the applicable goals.

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Youthbuild

Policy Priorities (5 points)

Policy Priorities are further defined in the General Section. Applicants should document the extent HUD's policy priorities for Youthbuild listed below are enhanced by the proposed activities.

Applicants that include activities that can result in the achievement of these departmental policy priorities, will receive higher rating points. The four departmental policy priorities for Youthbuild are:

(3) Participation in Energy Star (1 point). Applicants must state how they incorporate this priority into their application in order to receive the one point.